

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of YUDIN, A.; MARTYN, L.J.P. and PANDIARAJU, S.  
Serial No.: PCT/CA00/00850  
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Title: Asymmetric Ligands Having use as Catalysts  
Art Unit:  
Examiner:  
Atty's Docket No.: 61905/2


The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20331  
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the above referenced application as filed July 21, 2000.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 4 of page 1 of the description with the following rewritten paragraph:



--This application is submitted under 35 U.S.C. 371 from PCT/CA 00/00850 filed July 21, 2000 designating the United States, and claims priority from United States Provisional Patent Application Nos. 60/144, 812 and 60/201,730, filed July 21, 1999 and May 4, 2000, respectively, the specifications of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety. --

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-59 of the parent application, International Patent Application No. PCT/CA 00/00850, and add the following new claims 60-99:

60. An asymmetric ligand comprising an aromatic ring system that is polyfluorinated.